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Sir:

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In response to the outstanding Office Action mailed September 13, 2001 (Paper No. 3), please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

Following is a complete set of claims as amended with this response which includes an amendment to claims 1, 6, 17, 27, 38 and adds new claims 45-53. Claims 10, 16, 25, 26, and 30 have been cancelled.

1. (Amended) A method for accessing functionality of a consumer device comprising the steps:

receiving bio-metric input of a first user into a bio-metric user-identification

input component of a controller;

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